# **GRAND OPERA WILL OPEN HERE IN SPRING**

**Aborn Company to Start Series** of Performances at the New National House.

The eleventh annual spring season of grand opera in English under the nanaging direction of Milton and Sargent Aborn has begun at the Tremont Theater, Boston; the Brooklyn Acadmy of Music, the Providence Opera House, and the Newark Theater. On May 5 another Aborn English grand

May 5 another Aborn English grand opera company will take up its abode for four weeks at the Alvin Theater, Pittsburgh, and a week later the Providence contingent of the Aborn forces will move to Ford's Opera House in Baltimore. The other Aborn company opens at the New National in Washington Monday, May 19.

The Washington season is limited to four weeks, and Manager Rapiey has announced nine attractive offerings to be given for a half week each, including "La Boheme," "La Tosca," "Madam Butterfly," "Il Trovactore," "Faust," "The Tales of Hoffmann," "Lucia di Lammermoor," "Cavaileria Rusticana," and "Hansel and Gretel."

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All of the Aborn organizations located in different cities for the spring season will exchange principal artists with each other every week, while the thorus, orchestra and staff will remain in each city during the entire run. Accordingly a large variety of operatic talent will appear during the four weeks here—some forty or fifty principal artists in all.

Among those to appear during the first couple of weeks are Phoebe Crosby, Dianetta Alvina, Ivy Scott and Edith Helena, sopranos; Salvatore Sciarretti, Georges Simondet, Henry Taylor, and Domenico Russo, tenors; Thomas Hardie, James Stevens, Lewys James, Achille Alberti and Bertram Peacock, baritones; Joseph Parsons, George Shields, and S. Paul veron, bassos; Jayne Herbert, Hattie Belle Ladd and Marie Louise Biggers, contraltos; Philip Fein, Sol Solomon and Benedict Rubes, buffos; Carlo Nicosia and Guiseppe Angelini, conductors, and Karl Schroeder, stage director.

The sale of seats opens tomorrow morning.

### CHASE'S

The largest number and most novel special attractions of Chase's season of continuous performances will be presented this week. The new Kinenacolor spectacular production of the Clyde Fitch Colonial drama, "Nathan Hale," in which Nat C. Goodwin wor

measures, for Berlin is responsible for more big ragtime successes than any other living composer. There is a cast of fifty-five people, forty of whom constitute a singing and dancing chorus of shapely girls. Among the principals are James Rowland, Harry D. Ward, Sam Hearn, Ben Ryan, Ed Jerome, Helen N. Ely, Alma Fern, Hattie Raymond, Maudie Heath, Gertie DeMilt, and thirty others. DeMilt, and thirty others.

The general costuming of the production has been given careful attention, and there is no doubt but it is one of the most handsomely gowned shows playing the burlesque houses.

### CASINO.

Annette Kellerman's rival in the big beauty contest, Jessie Kellar, with her own company, will present at the Casino Theater this week her offering song and cycling entitled "Venus on wheels," with special scenery and lighting effects. A big dramatic number is promised by Joe Remington and his company in "The Millinery Salesman," and a unique musical novelty in the offering of the Unholtz Brothers. Acrobatics and marvelous head bal-ancing are promised by the Franks; a and ancing are promised by the Franks; a number of pleasing entertainment in character songs and comedy by Van Lear and Williams, and all the cabaret features in songs, parodies, and talk, by Perry and Elliott.

The Monkey Cabaret, which was to have appeared this week, the management announces will appear later. Three choice first run comedy photonists will

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## Lyceum Theater Will Be Reopened in Fall

Manager A. C. Mayer, of the Lyceum Theater, has made the announcement that the theater of which he is the manager, will positively open next season, and remain open, all rumors to the contrary nothwithstanding. What the management intends to furnish to the Washington public in the way of attractions has not yet been de-ided upon, but after the theater has been renovated, and extensively re-modelled it will again be opened to the public. During the summer the play-o-graph, the new automatic scoreboard will be so shown on the stage of the Lyceum each afternoon.

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actor. The fourth and last act is in the Plumfield apple orchard at harvest time, a veritable harvest home, in which are finished the girlish romances that have made many thousands of readers laugh and weep.

## Smithson Pupils Ready For Spring Carnival

The annual spring carnival by the pupils of Miss Madolin Smithson will be given Thursday evening, May 8, in the New National Theater. The operetta, "In Cloudland," will be presented in two acts—"The Palace Garden" and "Cloudland." Among the numbers "Cloudiand." Among the numbers which will be given are "The Dance of the Hours," "The Dance of the Seasons," "The Spanish Cabaret Scene, and "The Good Old Time Straw Ride,"

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season of stock at the Academy, Manager Rowland has chosen as the offering of the Academy Stock Company that most popular of all emotional dramas, The story of the play is a familiar

Sir Francis Levison, elopes, leaves her ing under assumed names. A third of-husband and child. Too late she learns fering of stellar proportions will be Al and, hearing of the serious illness of her child, disguises herself and, under the ment in her old home nursing her child. At his death, frantic with grief, she throws off her disguise and, dying herwronged. The role of Lady Isabel and Madame

The role of Lady Isabel and Madame Vine is filled with intensely dramatic scenes and strong emotional parts and will give Miss Cameron an excellent opportunity to show her ability. Richard Hare will take the part of Archibald Carlyle. The rest of the cast will be in good hands and the management promises a perfect production from the scenic standpoint.

Adances, and enjoyable pleasantry. A big feature will be the story of the Washington ball club's games away from 1 ome, as told daily on the Cosmos score board.

The Pathe Weekly Review and a series of first run high class photoplays are other attractions.

COSMOS

"The Chalk Line," one of the bes little comedy dramas of the season will be presented by Harlan, Knight and Company as the leading feature of the Cosmos Theater bill this week. The company carries its own special scenery. Another surprise will be the Muriel and one. It tells of how Lady Isabel weds Frances offering, presented by Bernice Archibald Carlyle, grows jealous fool- and Evelyn, two Washington girls famishly, and then, urged on by the wicked ous in higher vaudeville, who are playthe nature of the man she eloped with Harrington in his comical characterization, "The Crazy Janitor."

A galaxy of delightful songs and enname of Madame Vine, finds employ- tirely new comedy will be presented by the Keystone Comedy Four, Harry Bachelor will feature a variety of instruments in a musical number, and self, is forgiven by the husband she Raiston and La Tour, will appear in a refined offering of dainty songs. dances, and enjoyable pleasantry, A

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'WAY DOWN EAST" IS **NEXT PLAY AT POLI'S** 

Players Will Produce Drama of New England Life in First Class Shape.

No play produced in the last twenty years has exercised such a strong hold apon the affections of the American public as has Lottie Blair Parker's four-act pastoral comedy, "Way Down East," which will be presented, by the Poli Players this week. This play has been secured by Mr. Poli as a special attraction in celebration of the six hundredth stock performance by his company in Washington. This event will be celebrated temorrow night.

The story of the play concerns the life of Anna Moore, a girl from the city, who, broken in spirit and health, comest to the home of 'Squire Amasa Bartlett and is received with the frank hospitality of the Down-East farmer. Here she regains her strength and her happiness, for she falls in love with David, the son of the 'squire, and the remainder of her life seems destined to be marked by quiet content. been secured by Mr. Poli as a special

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The play abounds in striking character studies, and one of the most interesting of these is 'Squire Bartlett, which will be portrayed with his accustomed skill and comedy spirit by Mark Kent. Miss izetta Jewel will be seen as the hero-tne, Anna Moore, and Thurlow Bergen will play the part of David. Dudley Hawley will have the important comedy role of Prof. Sterling, the summer boarder. A feature of the production will be the village choir.

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The most ambitiously beautiful offering in the history of stock presentation in Washington is promised for tomorrow evening and throughout the week at the Columbia Theater, where the players will be seen in Capt. R. Marshall's brilliant comedy of romance, "A Royal Family." Furthermore, it will afford the opportunity of presenting Helen Holmes in Annie Russell's famous role of the Princess Angela, only daughter of King Louis VII, a role that is certain to further endear her, and her remarkable talents, to the Washingto

In the first act, attired in a fetching girlish frock, her undutiful but emphatic refusal to obey her father and marry a man she has never seen is sure to be warmly applauded, but as charming as she will be as an unspoiled, heart free girl, Miss Holmes will be given the opportunity to show her real ability in the last act. It is here that she has her farewell to her tutor, Father Anselm, and later, at the climax of the play, she finds the man the affairs of state have "downed" her to marry to be the man. omed" her to marry to be the man whom she has already given her

to whom she has already given her heart.

The play, which is by Capt. R. Marshall, of the British army, is fanciful, though semi-historical in character, and in three acts. Its scenes are those of regal magnificence, such as are to be found at one of the foremost courts of Europe. In costuming it attains the utmost possibilities of picturesque beauty. The cast throughout is one of extraordinary promise. In addition to Miss Holmes as the princess: A. H. Van-Buren will have a role second only to it. As Victor Constantine, he will be even more satisfying than he has heretofore been. Everett Butterfield and Helen Hayes Brown will be the Cardinal Casano and Prince Charles Ferdinand, respectively, with George W. Harbier, as Louis VII, King of Arcacia. Then there is Carrie Thatcher, as the Queen Consort: Frances Younge, as the Queen Ferdinand: Jessie Glendinning, as the Countess Carini, and Edith Hallor, as Lady Stapleton.

Other members of the cast will be John M. Kline, as the Duke of Berascum; John Ellis, as the Duke of Berascum; John Ellis, as the Countess Verensa; George Darrell, as Baron Holdensen, Stanley James, as Father Anseim, and Craig Weston, as the American Ambassador.

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